IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS

DENNIS GROMOV, individually and on behalf of all other similarly situated,)
Plaintiff,) Case No. 1:22-cv-06918
v.) Hon. Franklin U. Valderrama
BELKIN INTERNATIONAL, INC.,) Magistrate Judge Gabriel A. Fuentes
Defendant.	

JOINT STATUS REPORT

The parties now respond to the Court's minute order of July 17 (ECF No. 159). In that order, the Court directed the parties to file a notice of dismissal or a joint report explaining the delay in finalizing a settlement in this case and a related case, *Miley v. Belkin*, which was filed first in California Superior Court by the same counsel. The parties have exchanged drafts of a settlement agreement in this matter. That document has not been finalized because, as previously reported, its terms will be informed by the California Superior Court's ruling on Plaintiff's motion to preliminarily approve the settlement in *Miley*. The parties have reached agreement on a settlement in principle in *Miley* and are finalizing the settlement documents, including a declaration from a third party settlement administrator, before filing the proposed settlement with the California Superior Court for approval. The Superior Court has set a non-appearance case review on October 15 to set a deadline for Plaintiff to file a motion to approve the settlement. The parties therefore respectfully request that the Court grant a further extension of time of 90 days to finalize a settlement in this matter and order that a dismissal or further status report be filed in this action on or before January 12, 2026.

Dated: October 14, 2025 Respectfully submitted,

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